



Alternate Channel

The newsletter for and about the members of the
LOUDOUN COUNTY FIRE AND RESCUE SYSTEM

MARCH 2004



**Ashburn Volunteer Fire & Rescue Department's Scholarship Committee
Announces the Ray Muth Sr. Scholarship to the Muth family.**

Pictured (left-right) are members of the Scholarship Committee; Josh Burnheimer, Joe Habib & Chair Barbara Murphy with Donna, Ray Jr. and Ricky Muth at Ashburn's 60th Anniversary Dinner. See Story on Page 3

Photo taken by Itay Eshet, Member Co. 6

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Example:

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- Co.12 Greg Dailey
- Co.13 Marie Householder
- Co.14 Sue Johnson
- Co.15 Wilma Grant
- Co.16 Jim Dunagin
- Co.17 Rodney Krone, Jr.

Attention All Fire-Rescue Chiefs & Presidents

2004 Senior Leadership Conference

Saturday, April 17, 2004

0830 Hours to 1600 Hours

**Ida Lee Park
60 Ida Lee Drive, Leesburg, Virginia**

RSVP by Wednesday, April 7th

Call 703-777-0568 or E-Mail frust@loudoun.gov

Valor Awards Banquet

Presented by the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce

Wednesday, March 31st, 2004

11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Lansdowne Resort

For more information call 703-777-2176

Reminder to all Fire-Rescue Chiefs & Presidents:

Nominations for the:

- **Loudoun County Fire & EMS Hall of Fame Award**
- **John C. Carr Jr. Memorial Award**

Due by April 15th, 2004

AVF&RD Announces Ray Muth Sr. Scholarship

The Ray Muth Sr. Memorial Scholarship has been established by the Ashburn Volunteer Fire & rescue Department to enable young men and women to continue their education and in turn keep alive Ray's boundless faith in the future. Any member (administrative or operational and their family) of the department is eligible.

These scholarships will add to the other tangible and intangible benefits of becoming and staying a member of the Ashburn Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department (AVF&RD). If you are interested in making a donation to this Scholarship fund, Call (703) 729-0006, or stop by the station to drop off your donation.



Board of Supervisor Jim Clem presents the crew of Engine and Truck 11 with a Resolution of Commendation for rescuing a trapped resident from a house fire on West Nettle Tree Road on December 31, 2003. Pictured left to right are: FF Ken Fox; FF Donnie Henry; FF Gregory Moore; FF Ghorley Gregg; Lt. Jeremy Gay; Lt. Jason Collins; Capt. Kevin Wright, and BOS Jim Clem. *Photo Courtesy of Mary Maguire*



CPR Refresher held at Philomont VFD #8. Karen Deli, Rescue Chief 12, (photo above) conducts the practical portion of the refresher program. Vince Chirichella of Co. 4 conducted the lecture portion of the class.

Submitted by Peter West, Co. 8

CHECK YOUR ID CARD'S EXPIRATION DATE

If you need a new ID card, please contact Frankie Rust at 703-777-0568 (need correct spelling of last name) or e-mail frust@loudoun.gov. The card will be processed with the same photograph and sent to the company president for distribution.

If you prefer to have a new photograph, you have to go to Communications to have a new photo taken, remember to call first. Thanks!

APRIL 2004

Regularly Scheduled Monthly Meetings of the Loudoun County Fire & Rescue System

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Company 15	2	3
4	5 Companies 1,3,5,6,11,16	6	7 Companies 13 & 17	8	9	10
11 Company 14	12 Companies 2,7,8,9,12 BLS Committee	13 Rescue Chiefs	14 Company 10 Retention & Recruitment Committee	15	16	17 2004 Senior Leadership Conference
18	19 Company 1 ALS Committee	20 EMS Council	21 Fire Council	22	23	24 Pediatric First Aid & Safety Day
25	26 Companies 4 & 8	27 Fire-Rescue Commission (may change)	28	29	30	
SCHEDULED TRAINING						

AHA CPR-Healthcare Provider

Class #3 March 6, 2004
 Class #4 May 16, 2004
 Class #5 July 17, 2004
 Class #6 August 29, 2004
 Class #7 October 17, 2004
 Class #8 December 5, 2004

EMT-Basic

March 4—June 17, 2004

ALS Preceptor Course

Pre-test-March 8, 2004
 Class: March 10, 2004

Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOC)

March 16, 18, 20, 2004

NHTSA Standardized Child Pas- senger Safety Training (Child Safety Seat Technician)

March 17, 20, 24, 27, 31 and
 April 4, 2004

Pediatric Education-Prehospital Professionals (PEEP-ALS)

March 20 & 21, 2004

1st Annual Senior Leadership Conference

*For All Fire-Rescue
Chiefs & Presidents*

**Saturday, April 17, 2004
 0830-1600 Hours**

**Ida Lee Park
 60 Ida Lee Drive
 Leesburg, Virginia**

Lunch Provided
**RSVP by Wednesday, April 7th
 Call 703-777-0568 or
 E-Mail to frust@loudoun.gov**

Public Education Committee
Loudoun County Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council, Inc.
16600 Courage Court, Leesburg, VA 20175

February 27, 2004

Dear Chief,

On April 24, 2004 the Public Education Committee will be presenting a Loudoun County-wide community education program. **Precious Cargo- Pediatric Safety** is targeted to new & nearly new parents/grandparents, etc. It will focus on emergency first aid & safety. It is being prepared by & taught by career and volunteer EMTs from across Loudoun. The classes will be held in Leesburg, in the auditorium, at the Government building. Classes are FREE. Of course, donations will be accepted.

We wanted you and all the members of your station to be aware of this event. It is being prepared by & taught by EMTs, and will offer the community a unique perspective. Because you may get questions or phone calls, we recommend you post the flyers we will be sending to each station in a highly visible location. You may call either of the individuals listed below with additional questions. Please call if you would like additional flyers.

We expect the events (there will be two classes) to be very well attended. **This is a perfect recruitment opportunity.** Many volunteers tell us they first became interested in becoming a member after attending such an event. Please provide us with any brochures or information you may have about your company that you would like us to display. Any recruitment materials should be delivered to Ashburn, Company 6, ATTN Barbara Murphy, or to LCF&R Training Center, ATTN Joy Dotson.

It would be most helpful to have these materials no later than Friday, April 16, 2004.

Thank you for your help in communicating this event.

Barbara J Murphy, RN, MN, EMT-B
Chair, Public Education Committee- 703 729-2051

Joy Brown-Dotson, EMT- E
LCF&R Public Education Manager 703 771-5551



Precious Cargo
Handle with
Care

PEDIATRIC
FIRST AID & SAFETY DAY

Saturday, April 24, 2004
10-12 a.m. or 2-4 p.m.

Loudoun County
Government Building
Auditorium
1 Harrison Street, Leesburg

Learn about:

***First Aid for Your Child**

***Child Safety Seats**

***Poison Control**

***Making the Right Call-911**

***Childproofing Your
Home**

***Ask an EMT/ Q&A about
Emergencies**

Classes are **FREE**
(donations will be accepted)
**Great giveaways & special raf-
fle for basket of prizes**

**Call 703-737- 8093 for more
info or to register.**
Walk-ins accepted.

Presented by the
Public Education Committee
Loudoun Emergency Medical
Services Council

EMS Council Delegates and Alternates:

I just wanted to thank you once again for your vote to transfer ownership of the LifPak 300s to the Montserrat Project. As I pointed out last evening this is a project that administers to the needs of this community and has been spearheaded by PJ Azolina, the President of Sterling Rescue and his wife Faith Dillard, MD, who is also a member of Sterling Rescue.

PJ and Faith have put an extraordinary amount of time and effort into this project to train the community in CPR, EMT and ALS and aid them in developing their own emergency healthcare network despite the presence of an active volcano.

I mentioned an article that appeared in a recent issue of *Progress*, a publication of the George Washington University Medical Center where Faith is completing her residency in Emergency Medicine. Permission was obtained to reprint the article (to the right) in our newsletter.

Instead of sitting in a closet in their obsolete mode, perhaps they will have many more years of service and even save some additional lives.

Thanks again,
Leo

Leo C. Kelly, PA
Chairman
Loudoun County EMS Council,
Inc.

GW Doc Receives Laerdal Grant for Work in Montserrat

Opening the door was like being in the movie *Pleasantville*, recalls Dr. Faith Dillard. "There was no color -anywhere. It was so gray, so quiet (many tree frogs, birds and other wildlife were killed in the heavy mud/ash) and there was no smell. Moments before, rocks and debris were hurling from the blast of the volcano's fiery eruption; and, it was less than 48 hours before the scheduled training of nurses in the use of the Lifepak. While the training was delayed for a few months, Dr. Dillard intensified her commitment to healthcare for Montserrat—an area where most of the population was forced to relocate due to the devastating volcano.

Dr. Dillard is the recipient of a grant from the Laerdal Foundation for Acute Medicine for pre-hospital and acute care medicine; funds will go toward efforts in Montserrat to stock the Fire/Rescue Ambulance and Hospital ambulance with airway/breathing, diagnostic, extrication/immobilization, infection control and first aid supplies. According to Dr. Dillard, the grant will be used to purchase equipment from backboards to stethoscopes, as well as personal protective equipment for the first responders and nurses who staff the ambulance.

"We want to give the capable hands there the support they need to have an emergency medical response that is equal to the disaster capabilities that have been established on the island," says Dr. Dillard.

"When the medical system has

the training and equipment they need to respond to mass casualty, stabilize and transport critical patients, and do so safely, then we will have accomplished our goal." Challenges include "the difficulty of maintaining a health system in an isolated environment, the problems with volunteer medical care and on-site medical staff, and expectations of a government that wants to stay within the budget."

Yet for Dr. Dillard, Montserrat will "most likely be a life-long project for myself and my husband. We admire the people and their tenacity, faith, hard work and appreciation of what they have. I cannot imagine living in a place where I had to sweep ash several times a day and dig out from a deluge of mud; yet they do, and they still smile and thank God for their fortune."



Dr. Faith Dillard with children at Montserrat.

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CAD STREETS - JANUARY 2004

Street Name	Cross-Street	Subdivision	1st Engine	1st Amb	Box
Accokeek Tr	Kipheart Dr	Lansdowne on the Potomac	6	6	6-0
Blue View Ct	Panorama Pl	Glynn Tarra Estates	10	13	10-5
Bushveld Al	Accokeek Tr	Lansdowne on the Potomac	6	6	6-0
Canal Ford Tr	Accokeek Tr	Lansdowne on the Potomac	6	6	6-0
Cardinal Ct	Marbury St	Round Hill Lakepoint	4	4	4-4
Carradoc Farm Tr	Accokeek Tr	Lansdowne on the Potomac	6	6	6-0
Catchfly Tr	Accokeek Tr	Lansdowne on the Potomac	6	6	6-0
Choctaw Sq	Pueblos Tr	Ashbrook Village	6	6	6-4
Dutchmans Knoll Dr	George Farm Dr	Dutchmans Creek	12	12	12-1
Fallen Willow Ct	Broadlands Bl	Broadlands	23	23	23-10
George Farm Dr	Irish Corner Rd	Dutchmans Creek	12	12	12-1
Glynn Tarra Pl	Taylorstown Rd	Glynn Tarra Estates	10	13	10-5
Grassy Knoll Dr	George Farm Dr	Dutchmans Creek	12	12	12-1
Huron Tr	Hopi Dr	Ashbrook Village	6	6	6-4
Marbury St	Loudoun St E	Round Hill Lakepoint	4	4	4-4
Marvins Mill Tr	Carradoc Farm Tr	Lansdowne on the Potomac	6	6	6-0
Merchant Mill Tr	Accokeek Tr	Lansdowne on the Potomac	6	6	6-0
Mingo Tr	Pueblos Tr	Ashbrook Village	6	6	6-4
Oat Grass Ln	George Farm Dr	Dutchmans Creek	12	12	12-1
Panorama Pl	Glynn Tarra Pl	Glynn Tarra Estates	10	13	10-5
Pueblos Sq	Huron Tr	Ashbrook Village	6	6	6-4
Reville Ct	Tedler Ci	Round Hill Lakepoint	4	4	4-4
Seneca Sq	Arapaho Tr	Ashbrook Village	6	6	6-4
Shrewsbury Ct	Marbury St	Round Hill Lakepoint	4	4	4-4
Springview Ct	Panorama Pl	Glynn Tarra Estates	10	13	10-5
Sunflower Field Pl	George Farm Dr	Dutchmans Creek	12	12	12-1
Tedler Ci	Marbury St	Round Hill Lakepoint	4	4	4-4
Timothy Hay Ci	Sunflower Field Pl	Dutchmans Creek	12	12	12-1

**NEED VOLUNTEER
ARTICLES & PHOTOGRAPHS**



Peggy Smedley Receives Resolution of Appreciation

Board of Supervisor Jim Clem presents Peggy N. Smedley, a life member of the Middleburg Volunteer Fire & Rescue Company with a Resolution of Appreciation for her 24 years of service to our fire-rescue system.

Peggy held the positions of President, Rescue Chief and others with company 3. She provided services as a Cardiac Care Technician and instructor for BLS/ALS programs. She served as chair and other positions on the Commission and the EMS Council. Peggy received the Clark J. Deener Memorial Award in 1988 for her significant contributions to our system. Congratulations to Peggy!

2004 Officers of Loudoun County EMS Council

At it's February meeting each year, The Loudoun County EMS Council, Inc., elects it's Officers for the coming year. The elections were held on February 17 and I am happy to report to you the Officers of the Loudoun County EMS Council for 2004.

Leo C. Kelly, Co. 15 - Chairman
David Swartz, Co. 14 - Vice Chairman
Jay J. Brown, LCFR - Secretary
Alice Love, Co. 3 - Treasurer
Patricia Russell, Co. 13 - At Large Delegate
Andrea St. George, Co. 6 - At Large Delegate
Beverly Taylor, Co. 11 - At Large Delegate
Rick Pearsall, Co. 8 - At Large Delegate (Alternate)
Donald A. Sabella, MD - Medical Director
John Morgan, MD - Assistant Medical Director

As always the Officers and Delegates of the Loudoun County EMS Council, Inc. look forward to working with you for the betterment of the patients that we serve.

Sincerely,
Leo C. Kelly, PA
Chairman, Loudoun County EMS Council, Inc.

Volunteer Retention & Recruitment Committee

Allie Love, Chair , Co. 3/Commission;
Peggy N. Smedley, Co. 3; Christopher Coffman, Co. 4;
Colleen Okoniewski, Co. 6; Jeannie Cooper, Co. 7; Tom Dean, Co. 8;
Sara Chamblin-Case, Co. 9; Bev Taylor, Co. 11; Sheila Brendel, Co. 12;
Christy Rutherford, Co. 13; Amanda Bowers, Co. 14; Bill Lyden, Co. 15;
Chip Justis, Co. 17; Terry Kellogg, Mgmt./Benefits; Frankie Rust, LCFRS.